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Kinney Street between, Crestmoore Place and Barryknoll Drive, is a winding hillside roadway located in the Glassell Park community of Council District 1. This street is a substandard hillside roadway with its steep grades, narrow passage, unsafe roadbed geometry and severe switchbacks.

Kinney Street also presents numerous public safety concerns when construction and other large vehicles fail to heed roadway warning notices and then are unable to safely negotiate Kinney Street's narrow switchback turns. Unfortunately, on numerous occasions, such vehicles have overturned attempting to complete the steep, switchback turns, and blocking the roadway for other vehicular traffic. In an emergency situation, these overturned vehicles prevent the movement of public safety vehicles. Of immediate concern, is the area on Kinney Street between Crestmoore Place and El Rosa Drive, with its acute and sloping turning area.

Public safety concerns have been amplified with the increasing number of building permits being issued for projects in the Glassell Park area and the accompanying increase of large construction vehicles. The Department of Building and Safety (B&S) has advised that many of the new permits are for "by right projects" and are not required to obtain haul route approvals. B&S inspectors have visited various construction sites to discuss roadway conditions and alternative route options. Contractors were advised not to use Kinney Street for the delivery of construction material, and were reminded contractors of the City's "Good Neighbor Construction Practices." Haul Route permits in hillside communities, whether or not for the excavation of dirt, could specify safer route alternatives.

At the request of Council District 1, the Bureau of Engineering has met with City staff, undertaken field reviews, and prepared preliminary cost estimates to improve all or portions of Kinney Street. These road improvements are an urgent response to identified public safety concerns expressed from community stakeholders and the Council Office. This constitutes an urgent public safety concern.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Department of Public Works, with the assistance and cooperation of the Department of Building Safety, City Administrative Officer and the Chief Legislative Analyst, be instructed to prepare and present a report setting forth a 2017-2018 Kinney Street Road Improvement Program, which prioritizes the work to be accomplished and identifies a source of funds, and as well conduct a review of the City's Haul Route Ordinance to include hillside construction projects not requiring the excavation of dirt.

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